

vifabio - a virtual library as a guide to botanical resources in libraries and on the internet

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Background: German Special subject collections

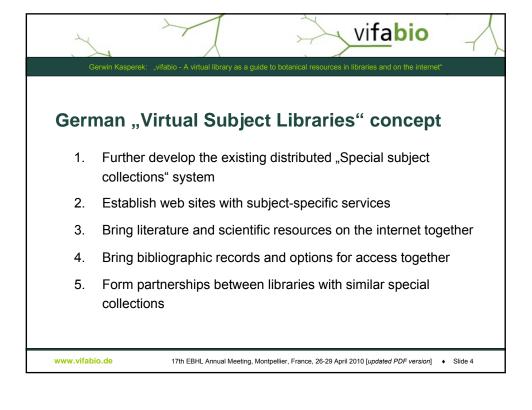
- Distributed national library scheme: Deutsche Nationalbibliothek collects only German materials (in a broad sense ...)
- Foreign academic literature collected through a distributed system of "Special subject collections" (located in 23 physical libraries)
- Co-funding by DFG (Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft)
- Obligatory: interlibrary loan/document delivery services

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University Library Johann Christian Senckenberg, Frankfurt am Main

- formerly "Senckenbergische Bibliothek"
- special collections in "Descriptive Sciences and Natural History" supported by external funding since the 1920s
- Special subject collections in biology, botany and zoology from around 1950 onwards, co-funded by DFG
- today, 3500 biological journals held and almost as many monographs purchased annually

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vifabio project

- Concept development, funding proposal in 2004/2005
 Project aim:
 - to create a central access point for various resources for biologists such as printed materials in libraries, databases and web sites...
- Co-funded by DFG since 2006 (current funding period ends 2011)
- <u>www.vifabio.de</u> website launched in 2007
- Content and functionality constantly expanding; current focus on public relations activities

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Univ. Library Frankfurt's project partners (I)

- Selected university libraries (with important biological collections)
 or libraries of biology institutions affiliated to universities.
 For example, FU Berlin with the Library of the Botanic Garden and Botanical Museum (BGBM),
 Berlin-Dahlem
- Special libraries in non-university research institutions.
 For example the Library of the Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK),
 Gatersleben
- The umbrella organisation of German biological societies,
 i. e. "Verband Biologie, Biowissenschaften & Biomedizin in Deutschland" (VBIO)
- Further information services relevant to biologists.
 For example AnimalBase, BioLib Kurt Stübers Online-Bibliothek

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Univ. Library Frankfurt's project partners (II)

- Library of the Botanic Garden and Botanical Museum (BGBM), Berlin-Dahlem, FU Berlin
- Thuringian University and State Library (ThULB), Jena (incl. Library of Herbarium Haussknecht)
- Library of the Leibniz Institute of Plant Genetics and Crop Plant Research (IPK), Gatersleben
- State and University Library Hamburg (Special subject collection Coastal and Deep-Sea Fisheries)
- Entomological Library at the Senckenberg Deutsches Entomologisches Institut (SDEI), Müncheberg
- Regional Library Mecklenburg-Vorpommern
- Library of the Max Planck Institute for Ornithology, Seewiesen
- AnimalBase Early Zoological Literature Online
- BioLib Kurt Stüber's Online-Library (A collection of historic and modern biology books)
- Verband Biologie, Biowissenschaften & Biomedizin in Deutschland (VBIO)
- Senckenberg Research Institute (FIS), Frankfurt am Main
- Library at the Natural History Museum (NHM), Vienna
- Library of the Nationaal Herbarium Nederland, Leiden
- Biologibiblioteket of Uppsala Universitet

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